# ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

# **OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

# **February 6, 2006**

Members of the Arizona State Board of Accountancy held a meeting at 8:27 a.m. on Monday, February 6, 2006 at the Accountancy Board Office in Suite 165, 100 N. 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona. An Executive Session was held, from 9:09 a.m. to 12:49 p.m., from 2:00 p.m. to 2:05 p.m. and from 2:26 p.m. to 2:52 p.m.

#### **BOARD MEMBERS:**

Donald R. Bays, CPA	President
Earl R. Shivers, CPA	Treasurer
Marianne E. DeVries, CPA	
Frank J. Brady, CPA	Member
Samuel L. Fogleman, CPA	Member
James E. May	
+ Patrick J. Ramirez	

- +Ø Arrived at 8:28 a.m.
- Appeared telephonically until 12:15 p.m.

#### OTHERS PRESENT:

Valerie M. Elliott	Executive Director
Jim Dubé	Deputy Director
Seth T. Hargraves, Esq	Assistant Attorney General
H. Leslie Hall, Esq	Assistant Attorney General
Ryan P. Edmonson	Programs & Projects Specialist II
Leslie R. Reed	Administrative Assistant III

## **GUESTS PARTICIPATING**

Victoria Mangiapane, Esq Assistant A	ttorney General, Solicitor General Office
Stephen T. Harris, CPA Accounting &	Auditing Standards Committee Member
Dave Goldman, CPA	Board Investigator
Marshall King, CPA	Board Investigator
M. Bridget McMullen, Esq	Attorney

The meeting was called to order at 8:27 a.m. by Donald R. Bays, President. The following order of business was then considered:

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#### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

No one wished to address the Board.

#### **MINUTES**

# January 9, 2006 Board Meeting

A motion was made by James E. May, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to approve the Open Session Minutes from the January 9, 2006 Board meeting, as amended.

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Patrick J. Ramirez and passed to approve the Executive Session Minutes from the January 9, 2006 Board meeting, as written.

#### **DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

Donald R. Bays, CPA declared a conflict on file no. 2006.057.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Valerie M. Elliott, Executive Director, gave an update to the Board on the budget, performance measurements, agency operations, and seminar attendance.

#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Donald R. Bays, Board President discussed placing the topic of a swearing in ceremony as a discussion item at the Board's Annual Meeting.

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by James E. May and passed to go into Executive Session at 9:09 a.m. to seek legal advice and review confidential material pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2)(3) and (4).

After consideration in Executive Session, the Board reconvened in Open Session at 12:49 p.m.

# ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND LEGAL ACTION

## **Respondents Motion for Rehearing or Review**

File No. 2005.064; Eddows, Denise

M. Bridget McMullen, Attorney for the registrant was present. After introductions were made, Donald R. Bays, Board President called for a motion for/or against hearing oral arguments.

A motion was made by Frank J. Brady, seconded by James E. May and passed to hear oral arguments and set a five minute period for each party.

Ms. McMullen presented arguments for Ms. Eddows. Ms. McMullen discussed with the Board that Ms. Eddows has responded to every letter that was received by the Board and that revocation was inconsistent with past Board actions. Ms. McMullen stated that similar circumstances merely constituted a Decree of Censure.

Seth T. Hargraves, Assistant Attorney General stated that Ms. Eddows has a history of not responding to the Board and she has been given multiple opportunities in this matter. Mr. Hargraves stated that the issues raised by Ms. McMullen are outside of the record and were not presented at the hearing.

Ms. McMullen stated that Ms. Eddows does not dispute the facts in question, but asked "is it worth taking her certificate."

After the Board deliberated, a motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by James E. May a passed 3 - 2 to grant a review as to penalty.

Patrick J. Ramirez and Frank J. Brady voted against the motion.

After the Board reviewed the file, a motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Donald R. Bays and passed 4 - 1 to issue an Order to include a stayed revocation, 12 months suspension, compliance with all Board rules and regulations, an administrative penalty of \$2000, which must be paid within 60 days from the date of the Order, and compliance with the investigation of file no. 2005.064.

James E. May voted against the motion.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

(The Board may pull any of the following items off the consent agenda and take individual action) Board discussion and legal action on the following items:

Due to conflicts, Mr. Fogleman requested Peter E. Breckling – New York, Daniel E. Ellis – Oregon and Eduardo Alfonzo Gonzalez - New Mexico be pulled from the consent agenda and voted on separately.

A motion was made by Frank J. Brady, and seconded by Patrick J. Ramirez and passed to accept the following consent agenda:

a. Recommended for Registration of Professional Corporation for the following Applicants -(Meets the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-734):

Pinpointe Accounting Services, PC Tim Howell, CPA, PC

Shareholder: Sherri Odom 8034-E Shareholder: Tim Howell 9694-E

Robert H. Rogers, Ltd

Brower Accounting & Tax Services, PC Shareholder: Robert H. Rogers 642-E Shareholder: Dee Ann Brower 13586-E

Michael M. Byrne, CPA, PC Richard A. Podraza, CPA, PC

Shareholder: Michael M. Byrne 13210-R Shareholder: Richard A. Podraza 13820-R

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b. Recommended for Registration of LLC/PLLC/LLP's for the following Applicants – (Meets the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-735):

Clear Accounting & Tax Services Patrick J. Kelly, CPA, PLLC

Shareholder: John Jowdy 10127-E Shareholder: Patrick J. Kelly 2359-E

West Coast CPA, LLC Complete Financial Services, LLC Shareholder: Robert J. Keys 10457-E Shareholder: John Worsley 7347-R

Vestpointe, PLLC J. Reo Evans, CPA, PLC

Shareholder: Joseph I. McCabe, III 8988-E Shareholder: J. Reo Evans 13797-E

Cathie Galloway, CPA, PLLC HGM's Accounting & Tax Practice, LLC

Shareholder: Cathrene Anger Galloway 5012-R Shareholder: Geri L. Anderson-Wieser 10183-E

c. Recommended for Registration of Sole Practitioner for the following Applicants – (Meets the requirements of A.R.S. § 32-731):

Record-It Bookkeeping Services
Owner: Christine R. Voiles 12540-E

d. Recommended for Firm Name Change:

Poulsen & Company, PC Poulsen & Clouse, PC Shareholders: Carter Poulsen	286-C 2893-E	Mueldener, Wilson & Associate, CPA's, PLLC Thompson & Mueldener, CPA's,	
(Rebecca L. Gentry)	(11101-R)	PLLC Shareholders: Kendal T. Mueldener	9116-R 4749-E (12878-R)

Kendal T. Mueldener Alan L. Wilson

(Linda P. Page)
CL & Company, CPA's, PC

CL & Company, CPA's
Shareholders: Charlie D. Cuccinello
Julie Louise Littler
2576-P
13004-R
7642-E

e. Requests for Firm Cancellation - Do not wish to renew:

Hopkins Parker & Company, PLC	2463-L	Weintraub & Morrison, PC	909-C
David W. Goodman, LLC	2717-L	Rogers & Ramirez, PLLC	2500-L
McConachie & Moore	903-P	Michael R. Gallacher, CPA, PC	530-C

f. Recommended for Cancellation of Certificate per registrant's request not to renew:

Karl Eugene Ray	641-E	Anna Marie Reinking	6603-E
Anita Dow Head	966-E	Mauricio Chamat	11720-E
Angela M. Larson	8438-R	Robert M. Mucha Jr.	11131-E

g. Recommended for Reissuance of Certificate because of Name Change:

Breonna L. Redford (Paulsen) 13778-E Melissa J. Swanson (Simon) 12692-E

Theresa Day (Garcia) 13366-E Gretchen L. Haggerty (McBride) 11903-E

h. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by Examination

- A.R.S. §32-721:

Rebecca J. Adams Gregory Lee Andersen Patrick George Loftus

Yuson Barr J. Bart Bates Scott Maish

Todd M. Bazin Michelle N. Bejarano Linda S. Martin

Julie M. Benson Pamela A. Borron Dianne M. McGill

Deborah Lynn Buck Blake A. Bunker Arnold Mejia

Carol A. Butler Joyce Yee Nergard Kimberly E. Miller

Sahar Theresium Clancy James R. Clemons David K. Stutsman

Kwok Leung Cheung Michael V. Chin Nama Jaber Omais

Keith Chickering Martin G. DeMarzo Andrew A. Pieper

Dorinda L. Morgan Gavin Daniel DeTemple Radhika Samant

Karen L. Diepholz Katherine W. Eagar Michael J. Stell

Kathleen Marie Egan Dale A. Eske Kitty Tang

Amy Flake Christopher M. Frandsen Valerie J. Smith

Brett T. Frederick John S. Gammon R. Scott Wilkinson

Mary E. Wifler Amy R. Hanagan Todd Thomas Lenczycki

Zeba Hashim Lavette Denise Hayes Debra M. Madsen

James H. Hill, Jr. Gregory L. Randall Mindi Maksinchuk

Philip Murray Howard III Brian K. Walker Dewaine McBride

Sean Kindell Philo J. Larrabee III Elizabeth L. McKeever

William Gary Patchett

 Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by Reciprocity – A.R.S. §32-724:

Mark Albrecht – Minnesota Thomas John Napolitano – New York

Linda M. Eicholz – New York Ralph Hardwick, Jr. – New York

Gerald L. Lenning – California Jeffrey A. Wright – California

 j. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by Grade Transfer – A.R.S. §32-721:

Steven Calabrese – New York Susan Annette Johnson – Illinois

Karen Julius – Minnesota Don C. Kimball – California

Sylvin Rae Lange, Jr. – California Gretchen E. Scheidler – Wisconsin

Susan Talbott - Minnesota

k. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by Reciprocity based on Substantial Equivalency – A.R.S. § 32-726(B):

Ponie Curtis Black – New Mexico Robert C. Bledsoe – Texas

Jeff Boomershine – Indiana Amy L. Collins – Texas

Vincent Paul Colman – New Jersey Shirley Cool – Massachusetts

Daniel R. Costello – Missouri Pamela Jean Cote – Connecticut

Amy Michelle Davenport – Texas Robert Ryan Dulgarian – California

Rick A. Frost – North Dakota David B. Flax – Illinois

Lee Hathaway – Nebraska John D. Gallimore – Ohio

Susan E. Kenney – Massachusetts John K. Hanson – Indiana

Mandy Liscinski – Idaho Travis J. Hutchison – Nebraska

Scott Nance – Missouri Karyn A. Howell Kissling – Indiana

Theresa Rakowsky – Washington Camille B. Lockhart – Missouri

Robert H. Sher – Pennsylvania Kellie Sue Pruitt – Texas

Denise Ann Yang – New Jersey John D. Sauder – Illinois

Lameck Zulu – California George M. Unruh, Jr. – North Dakota

I. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Examination Candidates for the Uniform CPA Exam – A.R.S. § 32-723:

Haya F. Aikilani Anoop Bhupendra Patel Harisimran Kaur Khalsa

Jennifer Jean Askew David S. Rekas Robert Michael Leff

Michael Louis Boden Emily Caroline Sayre Luke Christopher Livak

Mark L. Boyd Timothy John Seeber Michaela Ann McReynolds

Jerome Bruggeman Huimin Wang Jeffery Alan Nordin

Leslie Marie DeReche Kwok Cheung Yan Jeremy John Olson

Donald Wayne Hall Jose Alberto Alvaez Pedroza Donna Jane Pollock

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Vincent Verne Joven	Sarah Bernadette	Magan Lyn Salerno
Samuel Willard Kerch	Nathan Jeremy Bolt	Lisa Carrie Schultz
Melissa Charline Lawless	Michelle Lynn Brooks	Samantha Leigh Sistek
Jay I. Levinter	Andrew Philip Buchholz	Courtney Lynn Wendt
Mandy Elizabeth Loncasty	Leo E. Ebbert	Dharmesh Dayalbhai Ahir
Ryan Charles Nixon	Christopher Martin Jensen	
Byung Gun Oh	Karl Wilson Keck	

m. Approval of Candidates who have passed the Uniform CPA Examination:

Mentor Shahin Berisha	Steven Ardell Camacho	Anchal Chowhan
Meghan Elizabeth Costigan	Tanya Deininger	Jonathan Lennon Donath
Adele Catherine Enselek	Christina Gehring	Christopher James Gracey
Holly Marie Griffus	Nestor Xicotencatl Hernandez Gonzalez	Stephen Bret Howcroft
Philip Lee Jacobs	Jill Ellen Jaffe	Nickolas Christian Jensen
Dawn Marie Johnson	Christopher Allen Jones	Thomas John Kerkaert
Bailey Hanson Kramer	Jeffrey Allan Lee	Jason Richard Lewis
Sarah Nicole Linman	Eric Brian Maneval	Lindsay Rene Marks
Tylan M. Miller	Erin Corinne Oconnor	Nathan Alan Peterson
Andrew Arthur Pieper	Jessica Alison Sara Pollock	Roberta Ann Potts
Elizabeth Lynne Pruett	Brady Whalen Ramsay	Jayanta Ray
David F Rogers	Andrea Rae Scarla	Kevin W. Seabolt
Ramakant Prakash Shembekar	Kristin Danielle St Raymond	Vandana Tanna
Derek Raymond Taylor	Catherine Elizabeth Thomas	Rahul Thumati
Ryan Sean Wedel	Leslie D Wilson	Catherine Hsueh Wu

n. Recommendation of the Peer Review Advisory Committee for approval on the following firms in compliance – R4-1-454:

Caldwell, Geoffrey, CPA, P.C. Cawood, Sharman E. CPA

Stern, Moinica J., CPA, PLLC Andolshek, Terry J., CPA, P.C.

Furst & Associates, P.C. Gaintner Bandler Reed & Peters P.L.C.

Holter & Denomy Kienitz, Douglas P., CPA, P.C.

Rusk & Heard, P.C. Schlottman CPA's, P.L.C.

Larson, Allen, Weishair & Co. LLP Moeller, Larry D., P.C.

Weintraub & Schanck, P.C. Seely Mullins & Associates, P.C.

Stevens, John E., CPA, P.C. Anderson & Scow, LLP

Kramer, Edward CPA, P.C. Hunter Hagan & Company, LTD

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Frank J. Brady, and seconded by Patrick J. Ramirez and passed to accept the following consent agenda items:

 Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by Reciprocity – A.R.S. §32-724:

Peter E. Breckling – New York

k. Recommendation of the Certification Committee for approval of Certification by Reciprocity based on Substantial Equivalency – A.R.S. § 32-726(B):

Daniel E. Ellis – Oregon Eduardo Alfonzo Gonzalez – New Mexico

Samuel L. Fogleman declared conflicts and did not vote.

# ITEMS FOR BOARD REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND LEGAL ACTION

# <u>Application for Certification by Examination, Denial by Certification Committee – A.R.S.</u> §32-721

# Marion F. Child

James E. May reviewed the file. A motion was made by James E. May, seconded by Frank J. Brady and passed to deny the registrant's request for application for certification by examination because she did not meet the education requirements and to appoint Valerie M. Elliott, Executive Director, or Jim Dubé, Deputy Director as the designated representative of the Board for the settlement conference, if requested, with limited authority to settle.

#### Amanda L. Gates

Patrick J. Ramirez reviewed the file. A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to deny the registrant's request for application for certification by examination because she did not meet the education requirements and to appoint Valerie M. Elliott, Executive Director, or Jim Dubé, Deputy Director as the designated representative of the Board for the settlement conference, if requested, with limited authority to settle.

### Diane L. Wascher

Samuel L. Fogleman reviewed the file. A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to approve her application for certification by examination.

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Frank J. Brady and passed to go into Executive Session at 2:00 p.m. to seek legal advice and review confidential material pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2)(3) and (4).

After consideration in Executive Session, the Board reconvened in Open Session at 2:05 p.m.

# <u>Application for Certification by Examination, Deferral by Certification Committee – A.R.S. §32-721</u>

## Wanda M. Denton

Samuel L. Fogleman reviewed the file. A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded Frank J. Brady and passed to approve her request for application for certification by examination.

## Jonathan Hiner

Frank J. Brady reviewed the file. A motion was made by Frank J. Brady, seconded by James E. May and passed to approve his request for application for certification by examination.

#### Gregory A. Izenstark

Marianne E. DeVries reviewed the file. A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to deny the registrant's request for application for certification by examination because he does not meet the education requirements and to appoint Valerie M. Elliott, Executive Director, or Jim Dubé, Deputy Director as the designated representative of the Board for the settlement conference, if requested, with limited authority to settle.

#### Deborah Treanor Miller

Patrick J. Ramirez reviewed the file. A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by James E. May and passed to approve her request for application for certification by examination.

### Request for inactive status - A.R.S. § 32-730

David E. Dzivak 10199-E

Christine Angela Niezgodzki 6835-E

A motion was made by Frank J. Brady, seconded by James E. May and passed to approve the requests for inactive status.

# <u>Consideration of Reinstatement of Expired Certificates</u>

Shannon R. McGinnis 9900-E

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by James E. May and passed to grant reinstatement.

# <u>Issues from and regarding the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy</u> (NASBA)

NASBA - Vice Chair recommendation for 2006-2007

A motion was made by Frank J. Brady, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to recommend Thomas Sadler for Vice Chair of NASBA for 2006 – 2007.

#### **Quarterly Focus Questions**

The Board discussed the questions and directed Valerie M. Elliott, Executive Director to complete the questions and forward the Board's answers to NASBA.

#### Prometric testing schedule - April

The Board reviewed the information.

# Review Status of Firm Compliance with Requirements for Firm Registration

Coleman & Company, PLLC 2370-L

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to approve the firm name.

# **Termination of Decision & Order (By Consent)**

File No. 2002.048; Scafaru, Peter

File No. 1998.155; Rasco, Bette

File No. 2005.073; Robb, Ross

A motion was made by Frank J. Brady, seconded by Marianne E. DeVries and passed to terminate the Consent Orders and close the files.

# **Compliance with Decision & Order (By Consent)**

File No. 2004.061 & 2005.027; Tassainer, Garin

A motion was made by Patrick J. Ramirez, seconded by James E. May and passed to defer action until the next Board meeting.

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by James E. May and passed to go into Executive Session at 2:26 p.m. to seek legal advice and review confidential material pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(2)(3) and (4).

After consideration in Executive Session, the Board reconvened in Open Session at 2:52 p.m.

# **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS – COMPLAINT/INITIAL ANALYSIS FILES**

File No. 2006.026

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file.

## File No. 2006.040

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by Samuel L. Fogleman and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open a separate initial analysis file and refer the new file to the Accounting and Auditing Standards Committee.

## **COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS - INVESTIGATION FILES**

File No. 2005.086

A motion was made by Donald R. Bays, seconded by Frank J. Brady and passed 5-1 to offer a Decision & Order (By Consent) to include 12 months probation; 16 hours of continuing professional education in the area of SSARS, 8 hours of continuing professional education in the area of payroll accounting, 4 hours of continuing professional education in the area of ethics, all of which are to be in addition to the statutory requirement, to be taken in classroom setting and must be pre-approved; and cost recovery of \$4,000.00.

Marianne E. DeVries voted against the motion.

### File No. 2006.021

A motion was made by Marianne E. DeVries, seconded by James E. May and passed to accept the Tax Practice Committee's recommendation to open an investigation file on the other partner.

Samuel L. Fogleman declared a conflict and did not vote.

# DISCUSSION OF ITEMS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE MEETING AGENDA None.

#### **SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

None.

#### SETTLEMENT CONFERENCE

File No. 1998.229	File No. 2003.021
File No. 2000.044	File No. 2003.063
File No. 2000.026	File No. 2004.046
File No. 2000.027	File No. 2006.015

A motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by James E. May and passed to accept the settlement offer with the elimination of the Decree of Censure for File No. 2000.044.

Donald R. Bays & Frank J. Brady declared conflicts and did not vote.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, a motion was made by Samuel L. Fogleman, seconded by Patrick J. Ramirez and passed to adjourn at 3:05 p.m.

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Earl R. Shivers, CPA, Treasurer
Marianne E. DeVries, CPA, Secretary
Frank J. Brady, CPA Member
Samuel L. Fogleman, CPA Member
James E. May, Board Member
Patrick J. Ramirez, Board Member